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7 THE WINDING STREET IS **DESERTED** EXCEPT FOR A HUSKY MAN WITH THE MARK OF **VIOLENCE** ON HIS FACE AND A DEADLY **WEAPON** CRADLED IN HIS ARMS, STANDING AS A **SENTRY** IN FRONT OF A DIMLY LIT DOORWAY, UNAWARE OF THE FIGURE MATERIALIZING FROM THE MISTS OF THE SHADOWS...

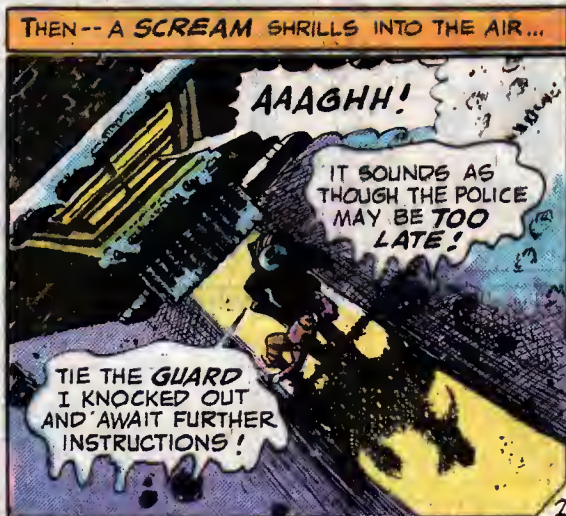
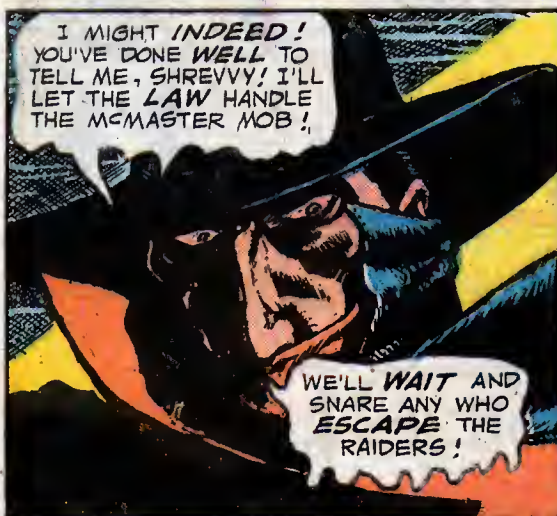
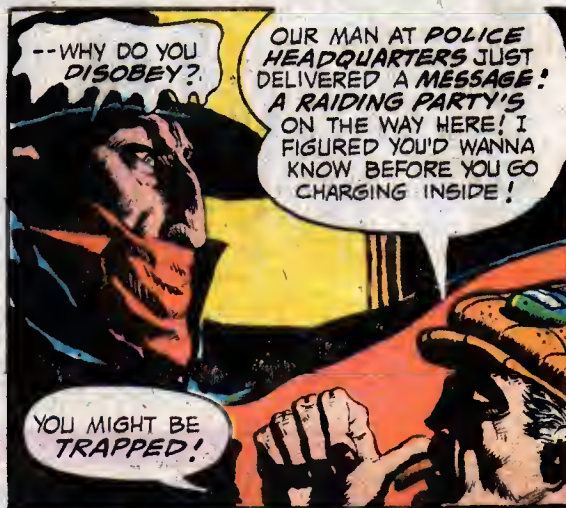
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THEN-- A SCREAM SHRILLS INTO THE AIR...

TIE THE GUARD I KNOCKED OUT AND AWAIT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS!

AT THAT INSTANT, ON THE **SECOND FLOOR** OF THE RAMSHACKLE BUILDING, IN A ROOM THICK WITH THE SICKLY-SWEET SMELL OF **DRUGS**...

AL...AM I **SEEN**' HIM...OR IS THE STUFF WE BEEN SMOKIN' **WARPED** MY **BRAIN**?

H-HE'S **THERE--**



--AN' HE'S **KILLED** **MANNY**!

MY MITTS ARE LIKE **SAUSAGES**... CAN'T GET MY **GAT**!

YOU WON'T **NEED** IT--



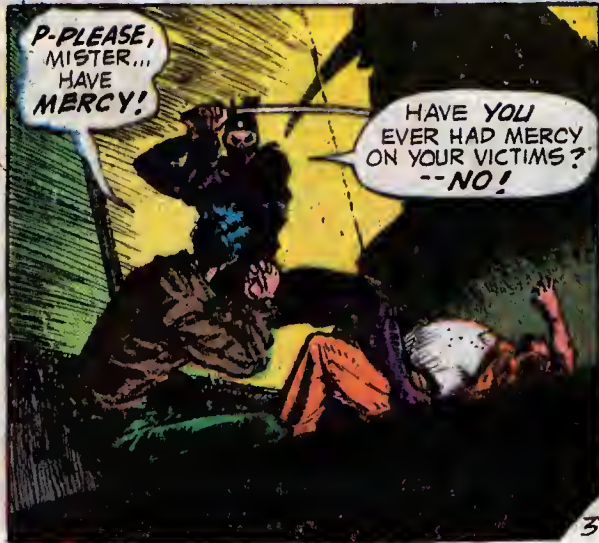
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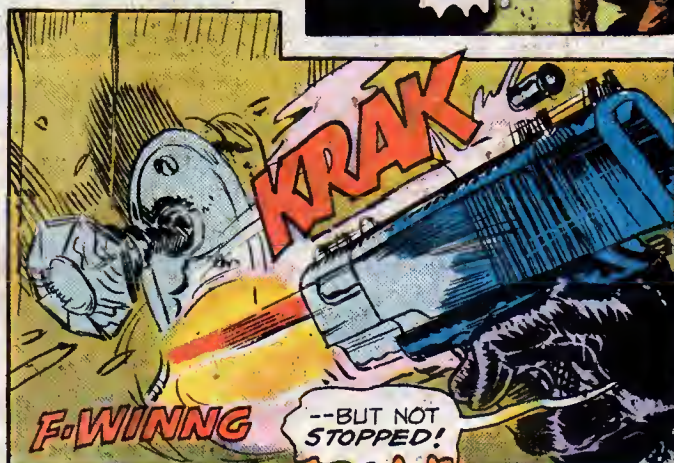
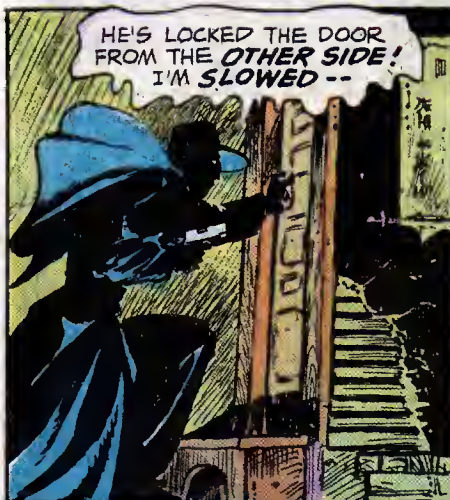
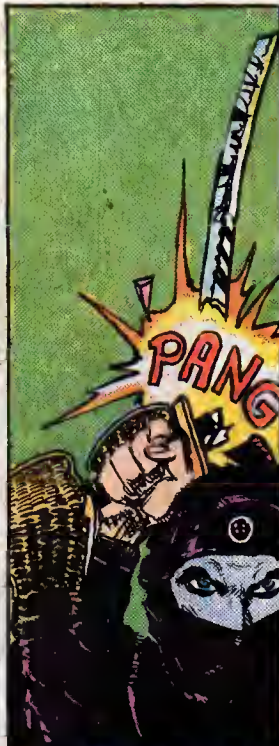


P-PLEASE, **MISTER**... HAVE **MERCY**!

HAVE YOU **EVER** HAD **MERCY** ON YOUR **VICTIMS**? --**NO**!



BUT, BEFORE THE BLADE CAN DESCEND, AN AUTOMATIC SPITS --



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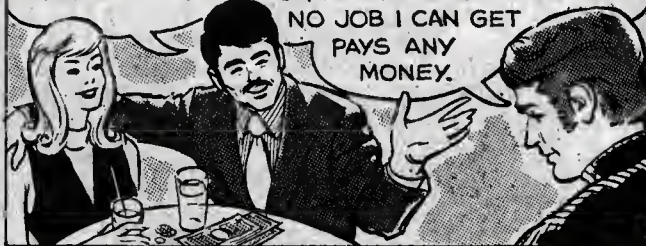
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...when you get out
of the service

ONE DAY, A FEW MONTHS AFTER WE BOTH GOT
OUT OF THE SERVICE, I RAN INTO MY OLD BUDDY, PETE.

PETE! HOW YOU
MAKING OUT?

NOT TOO GOOD, JOE. I
CAN'T SEEM TO HACK IT...
NO JOB I CAN GET
PAYS ANY
MONEY.



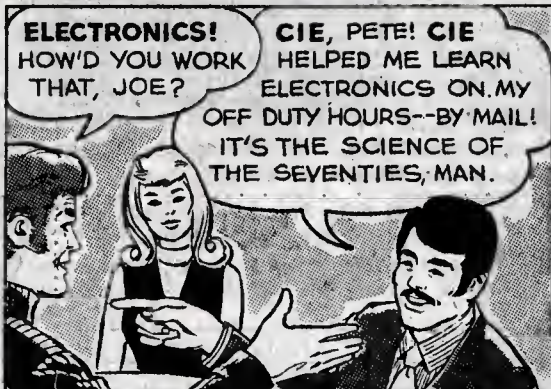
LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE
DOING ALL RIGHT,
THOUGH.

I'LL SAY! I'M IN
ELECTRONICS AND
HAVE MY FCC LICENSE



ELECTRONICS!
HOW'D YOU WORK
THAT, JOE?

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HELPED ME LEARN
ELECTRONICS ON MY
OFF DUTY HOURS--BY MAIL!
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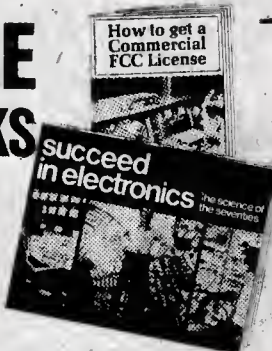
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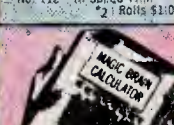
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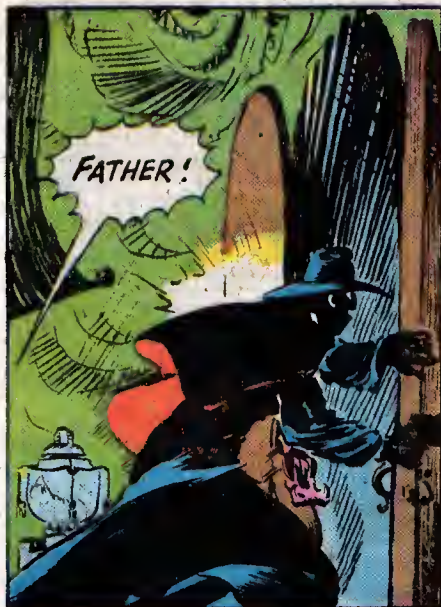
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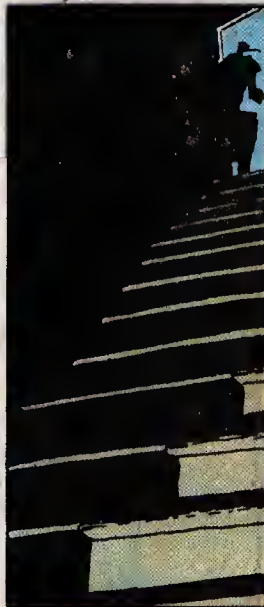
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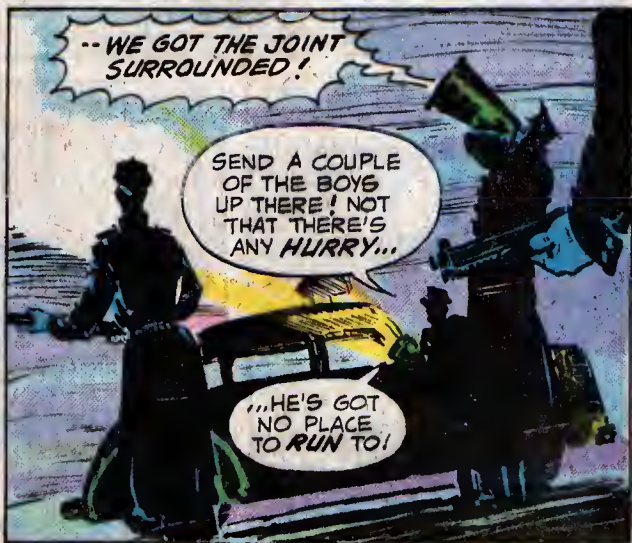
HOWEVER, THE CLOAKED AVENGER FINDS THE ROOF **EMPTY!** FOR A HALF MINUTE HE STANDS, SURVEYING THE SCENE...



SUDDENLY, A BRIGHT BEAM OF LIGHT STABS AT HIM, AND...



BETTER SURRENDER, FELLA--

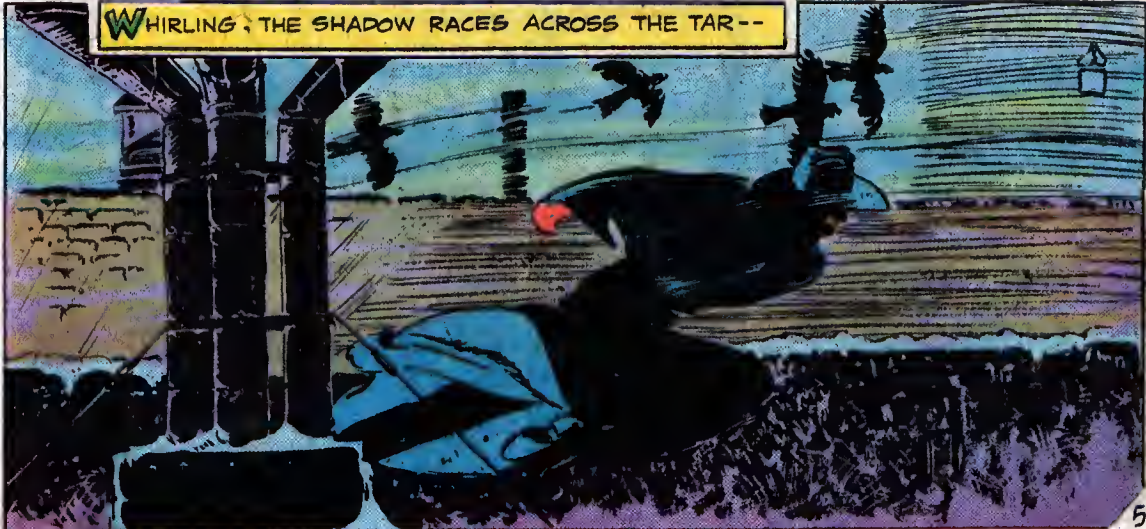


-- WE GOT THE JOINT SURROUNDED!

SEND A COUPLE OF THE BOYS UP THERE! NOT THAT THERE'S ANY HURRY...

...HE'S GOT NO PLACE TO RUN TO!

WHIRLING, THE SHADOW RACES ACROSS THE TAR--



CALMLY, HE PEERS AT AN
ALLEY FULLY SIXTY FEET
BELOW--



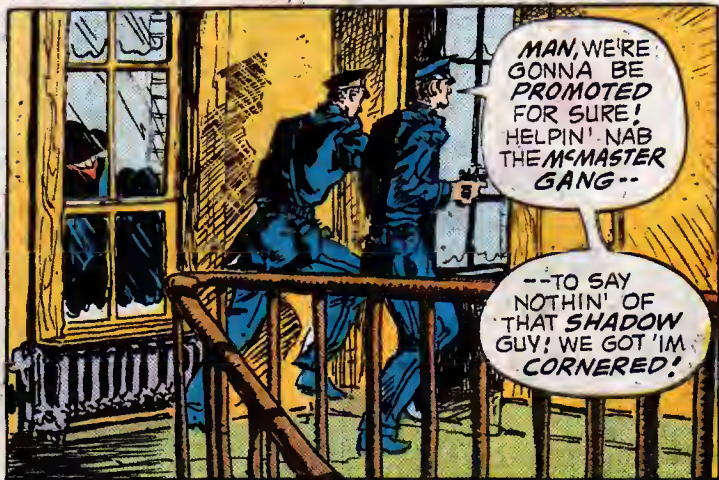
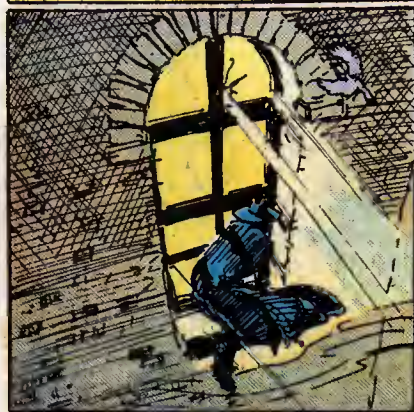
--AND DROPS!



IRON FINGERS
CLAMP ONTO A
WINDOW SILL--



--AND A LITHE BODY SWINGS UP-
WARD TO A DOUBTFUL SAFETY!



MAN, WE'RE
GONNA BE
PROMOTED
FOR SURE!
HELPIN' NAB
THE McMASTER
GANG--

--TO SAY
NOTHIN' OF
THAT SHADOW
GUY! WE GOT 'IM
CORNERED!

WITHIN MINUTES...

WHERE
TO,
BOSS?



CIRCLE THE
BLOCK,
SHREVVY!



THE SHADOW'S
WORK IS
TEMPORARILY
DONE!



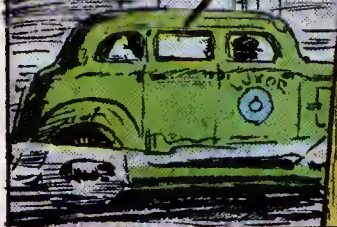
BUT LAMONT
CRANSTON IS
CURIOUS!



A QUICK CHANGE OF CLOTHING AND
A SHORT DRIVE, AND ...

LOOK, SHREVVY--
MY FRIEND,
G. OYLE PROUD!

I SAY THIS CITY HAS
BECOME A **CESSPOOL**
OF LAWLESSNESS AND
I MEAN TO **DO**
SOMETHING
ABOUT IT!



--SURROUNDED
BY REPORTERS...
AS **USUAL**,
EH, PROUD?

AH... **LAMONT
CRANSTON!**
I WAS JUST
TELLING THESE
CHAPS WHAT I
PROPOSE TO
DO WHEN I'M
ELECTED
**DISTRICT
ATTORNEY!**



GANGSTERS
GOING TO **DOPE
DENS** LIKE THE
ONE IN THAT
BUILDING...
VIGILANTES LIKE
THE **SHADOW**...
INTOLERABLE!

MY FIRST STEP WILL
BE TO **ELIMINATE**
THE DRUG TRAFFIC!
I'VE RECENTLY
RETURNED FROM A
TRIP TO THE
FAR EAST--

--WHERE THE DRUGS **COME
FROM!** I'VE INVESTIGATED...
AND I HAVE A PLAN FOR
CHOKING **OFF** THIS
INSIDIOUS ACTIVITY!

YOU'LL
**TALK IT
TO DEATH,**
MR. PROUD?



AH... MY ERSTWHILE **OPPONENT**
IN THE FORTHCOMING ELECTION--
BARTLETT MOGEN... THE
PRESENT DISTRICT ATTORNEY!

A MAN WHO HAS
DISGRACED THE
OFFICE HE NOW
HOLDS BY HIS
SOFT ATTITUDE
TO CRIME!

MY **ATTITUDE**
MAY BE **SOFT--**



--BUT NOT MY **HEAD...**
WHICH IS MORE THAN
I CAN SAY FOR
CERTAIN YOUNG
REFORMERS!

IF YOU GENTLEMEN
OF THE PRESS CARE
TO JOIN ME, WE'LL
WET THE WHISTLE AND
DISCUSS THE **YANKES'**
CHANCES TO WIN THE
PENNANT!



THERE GOES
EVERYTHING THAT'S
WRONG WITH OUR
CITY, LAMONT!
HE'S **OLD, LAZY...**
AND **CORRUPT!**



COULD **BE**, OLD CHAP!
WHAT SAY WE DISCUSS
IT **TOMORROW** AT THE
CLUB? I'M **FRIGHTFULLY**
TIRED --



--I'VE BEEN UP
SINCE **NOON!**

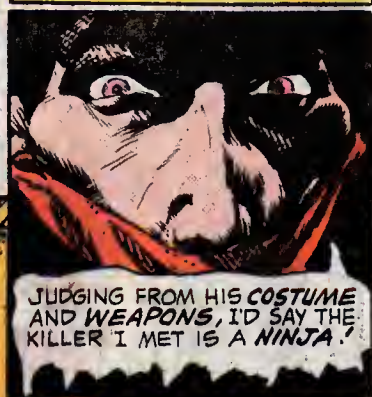
SLEEP
TIGHT,
LAMONT!



YA **REALLY** GONNA
CATCH SOME SHUT-
EYE, BOSS?

OF **COURSE** NOT,
SHREVVY!--TO
HEADQUARTERS!

ARRIVING AT A SUITE SOME-
WHERE IN THE HEART OF
NEW YORK, THE SHADOW QUICKLY
RELATES THE EVENING'S
EVENTS TO HIS LOYAL **TEAM--**



JUDGING FROM HIS **COSTUME**
AND **WEAPONS**, I'D SAY THE
KILLER I MET IS A **NINJA!**



WEREN'T THEY
SPIES IN ANCIENT
JAPAN?

YES... **EXTREMELY** SKILLED IN
STEALTH AND **ASSASSINATION!**
RIGHT, SHADOW?

PRECISELY, MARGO!
I **STUDIED** WITH A
NINJA MASTER YEARS
AGO! I LEARNED
MUCH FROM HIM!

ANYONE FAMILIAR
WITH THOSE ARTS
COULD BE A
FORMIDABLE
OPPONENT!

THEREFORE...
ATTENTION
TO **ORDERS!**



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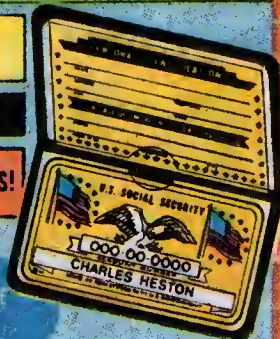
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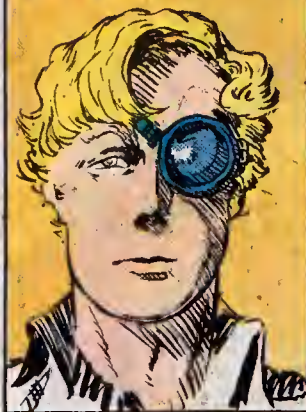
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MARGO ... YOU'LL
QUESTION THE CHINESE
GIRL WHOSE FATHER
WAS SLAIN IN THE
MORNING!



HARRY... YOU'LL
STAND BY!



OKAY... BUT YOU'RE
MAKING A CERTAIN
MISS MIGHTY
UNHAPPY! I PROMISED
THE DAY TO HER!

SHE'LL
LIVE,
TIGER!



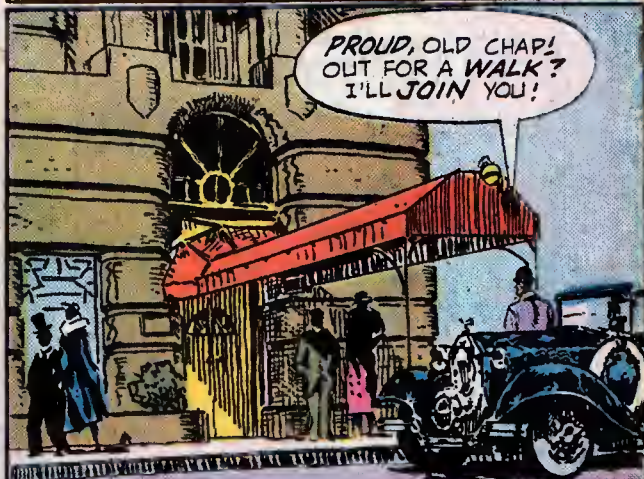
HEY, CHIEF! ONE THING'S
BOTHERING ME! WHY ARE
WE TRYING TO NAIL THIS
NINJA? YOU SAID HE
SMASHED THE MCMASTER
CREW... JUST LIKE YOU
WERE GOING TO!

SOUNDS LIKE
HE'S ON OUR
SIDE!

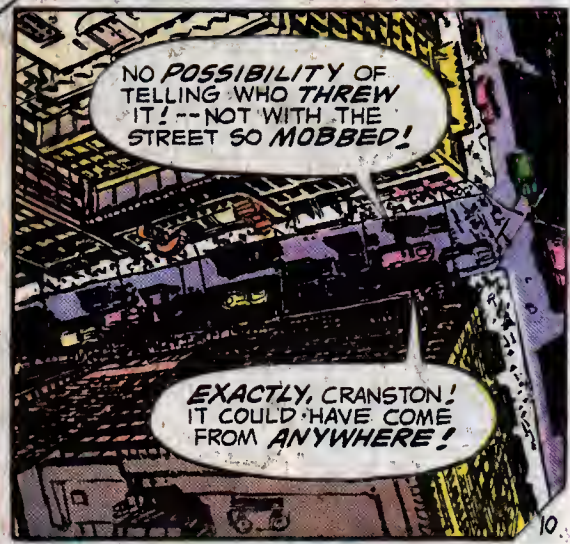
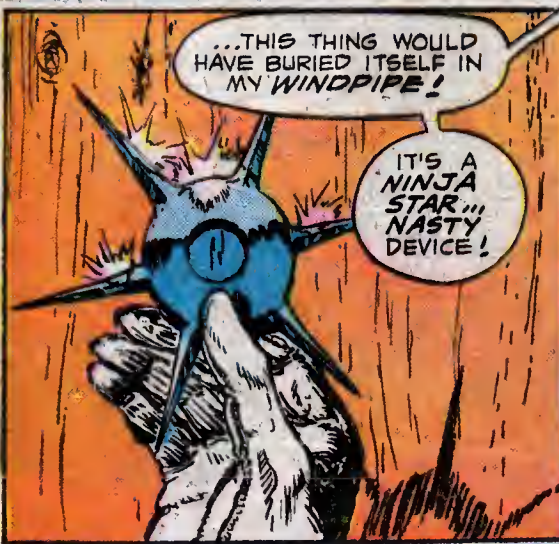
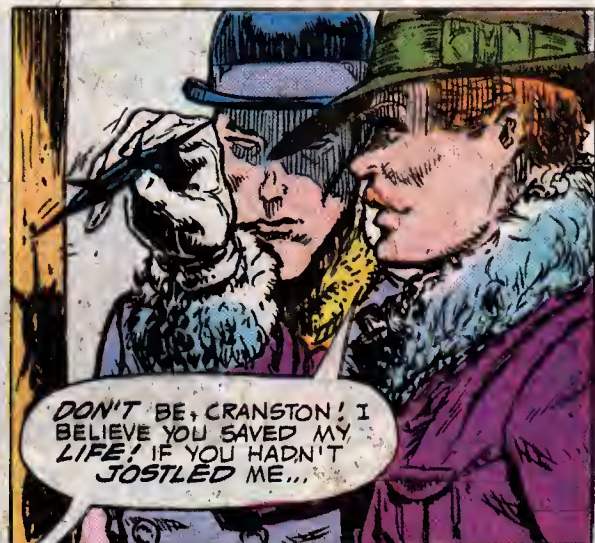
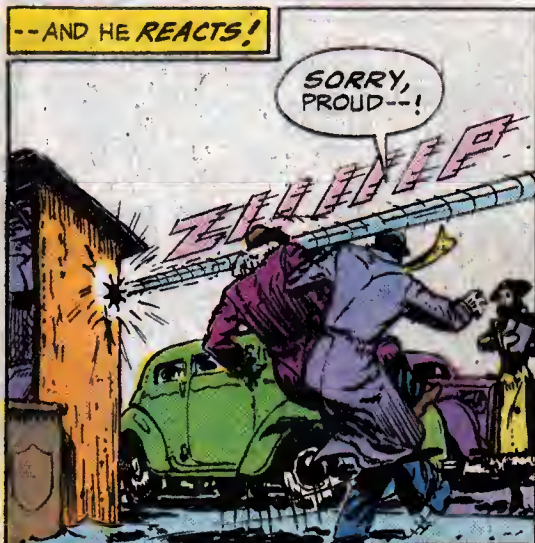
MY INSTINCT SAYS
HE *ISN'T*, HARRY!
DO YOU CARE TO
QUARREL WITH
MY INSTINCT?

LEAVE ME
NOW! I MUST
THINK!

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LAMONT CRANSTON ARRIVES AT THE
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PROUD, OLD CHAP!
OUT FOR A WALK?
I'LL JOIN YOU!





PROUD, DO ME A **FAVOR!**
LET ME PUT YOU UNDER THE
PROTECTION OF A FRIEND
OF MINE... **HARRY
VINCENT!**

YOU'RE TOO **VALUABLE**
A MAN TO LOSE TO A
KILLER!

I DON'T NEED
A **NURSEMAID...**

I WON'T TAKE **NO**
FOR AN ANSWER!



AN HOUR LATER, IN
CHINATOWN --



MISS...
MISS!

YOU
SPEAK
TO ME?

YES...I'D
LIKE TO ASK
YOU A FEW
QUESTIONS!

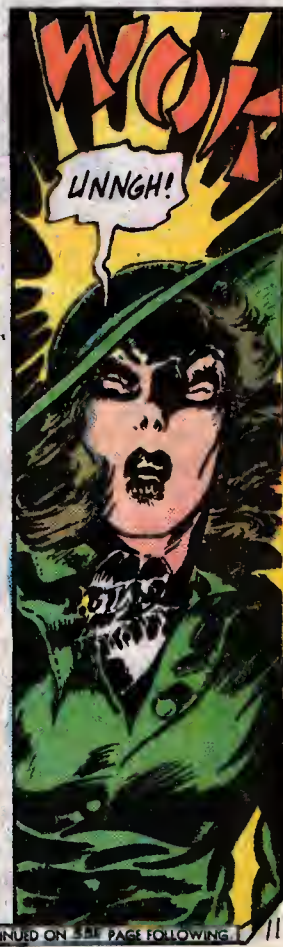


PLEASE
TO STEP
INSIDE--!



IT'S SO
DARK
IN HERE!

YOU WILL
NOT **NEED**
TO SEE!



WOK!
UNNGH!

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YOU STRUCK HER
BRUTALLY!*

SHE MEANT
YOU NO
HARM!

PERHAPS
NOT, MY
BROTHERS--

*NOTE: THIS DIALOGUE TRANSLATED
FROM THE CHINESE!

--BUT I CANNOT TAKE THE
CHANCE... NOT WHEN WE
ARE NEAR TO **ACCOMPLISHING**
OUR MISSION!

GUARD HER--
AND THE
MONEY!

I AM **TROUBLED**,
SISTER! THE **MONEY--**
IT IS NOT **OURS!** IT IS
DIRTY MONEY... MADE
FROM TRADING IN **ILLEGAL**
DRUGS!

OUR FATHER
REALIZED THAT,
MY BROTHER--

--BUT WITHOUT IT,
WE COULD NOT BRING
OUR **RELATIVES** TO
THIS COUNTRY!

THAT IS WHY
OUR FATHER
TOOK IT FROM...
HIM!

I HAVE
A **TASK!**
WAIT
FOR ME!

A DISTANT RUMBLE OF
THUNDER HERALDS NIGHT,
AND FLASHES OF LIGHTNING
BLAZE BRIEFLY IN THE
RAPIDLY DARKENING SKY!

WET BREEZES WHISTLE
THROUGH THE CITY'S
CANYONS AND RATTLE
THE WINDOWS IN THIS
MIDTOWN **APARTMENT**
BUILDING...

...AND, INSIDE--



BLOWING
UP A MEAN
ONE OUT
THERE,
MR. PROUD!

I WISH
YOU'D GO
HOME,
MR. VINCENT!
I'M
PERFECTLY
SAFE!



YEAH, WELL...
I'LL STICK
AROUND
ANYWAY!

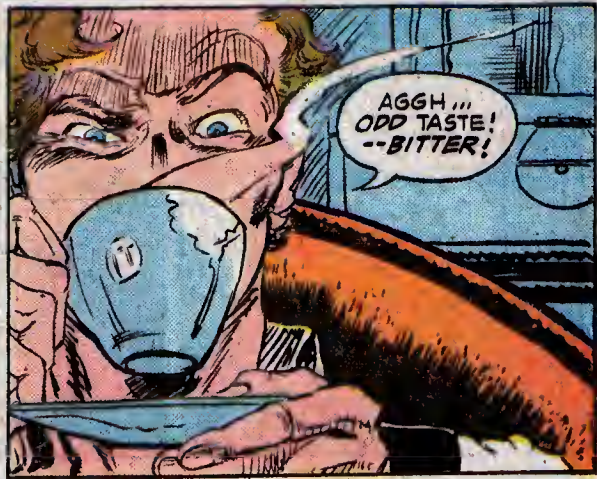
YOU'RE AS
STUBBORN AS
CRANSTON!

HERE...
YOU MAY
AS WELL
HAVE A
CUP OF
COFFEE!



I'LL BE IN MY
STUDY, PREPARING
A CAMPAIGN
SPEECH!

GIVE 'EM
HECK,
MR. PROUD!



AGGH...
ODD TASTE!
--BITTER!



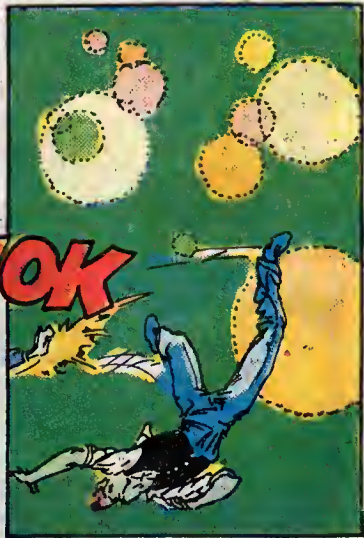
...FEEL
FUNNY...
DIZZY!



PROUD!--
PROUD!--
I'M SICK--



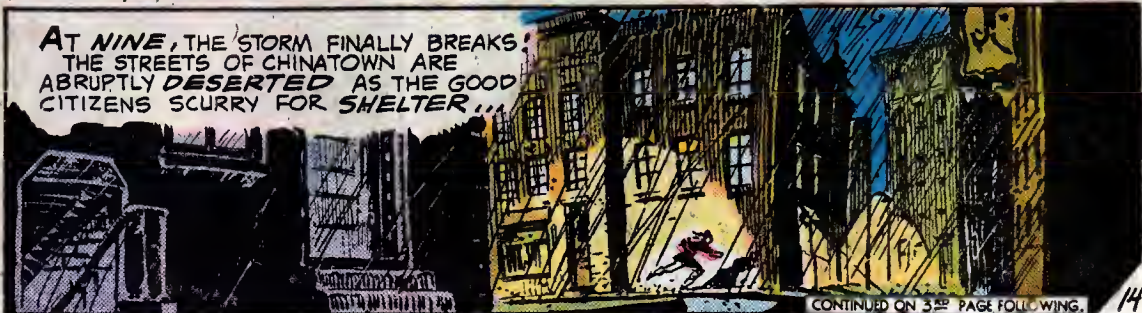
YOU! THE NINJA...
GONNA BLOW YOU
AWAY... IF I CAN
RAISE MY GUN...



THROBBING, AGONIZING MINUTES
PASS, AND THEN...



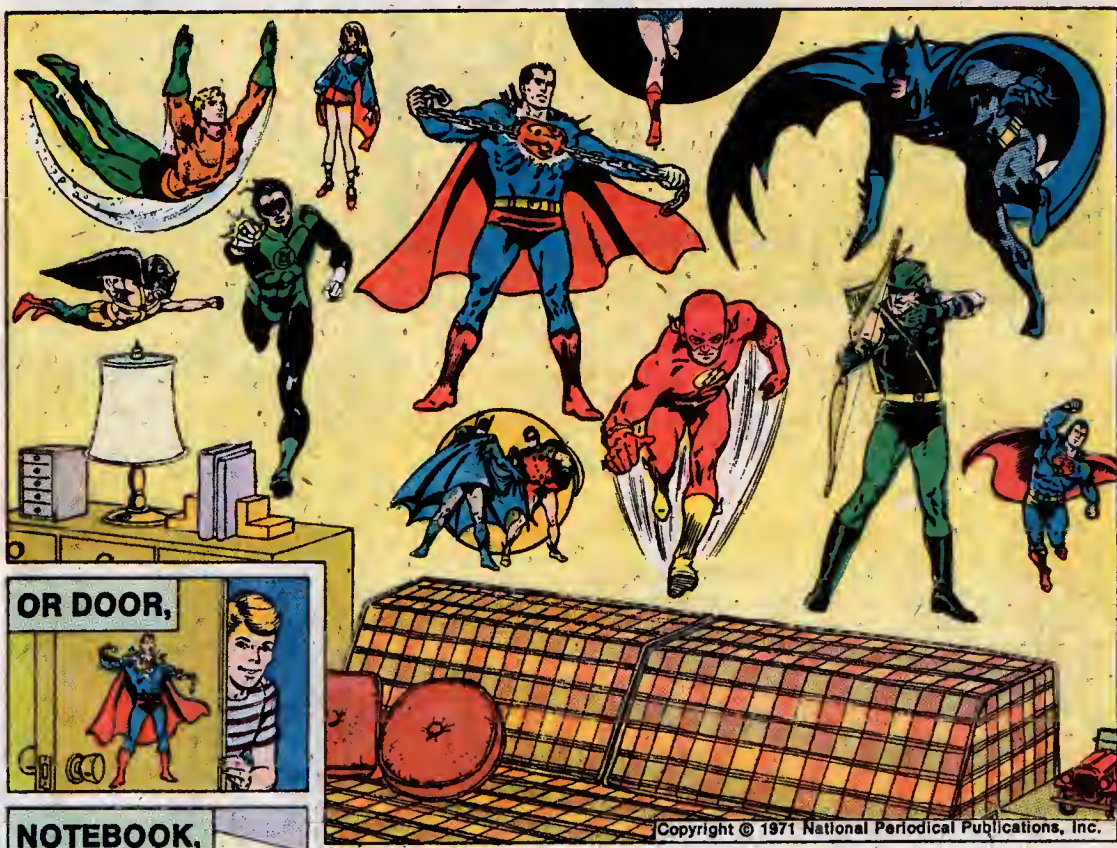
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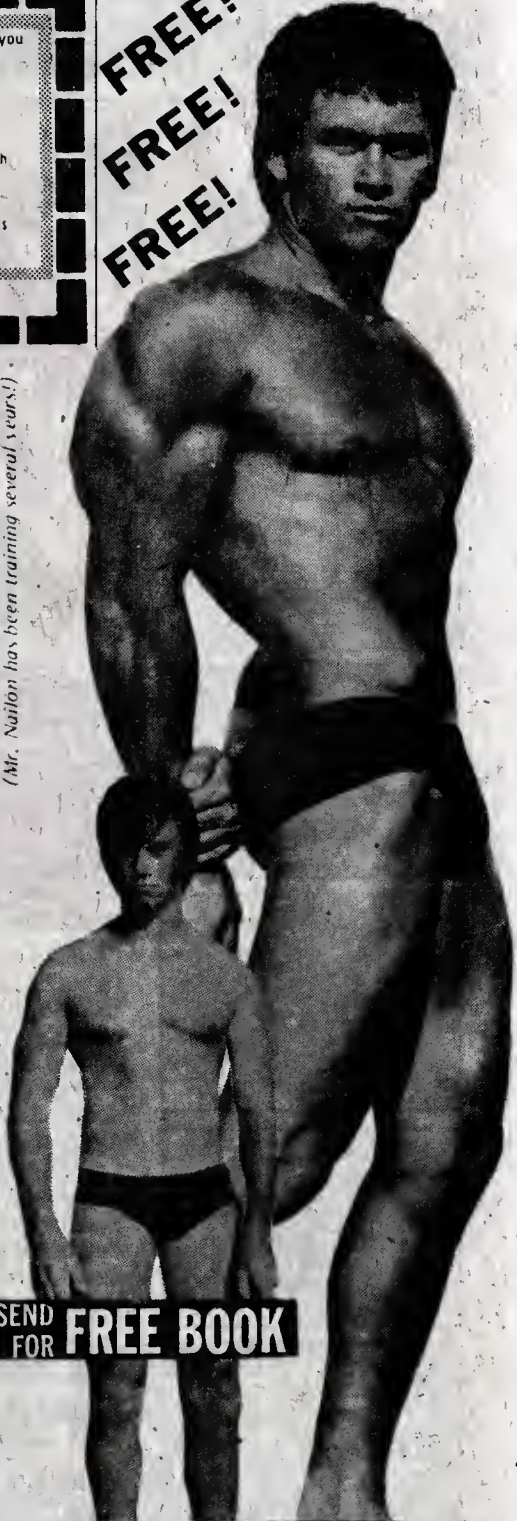
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GO INDOORS, TOO!

YOU HAVE
SUCCESS,
SISTER?

YES! I
ARRANGED
FOR OUR
RELATIVES
TO BE
SMUGGLED
FROM THE
OLD
COUNTRY--

--IN EXCHANGE FOR THESE
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DOLLARS!**

HIDING A **FORTUNE**
IN A LOWLY **LAUNDRY**
BAG, HUH? PRETTY
CLEVER, SWEETIE!

YOU'LL BE
CAUGHT,
OF COURSE--!

NOT UNLESS YOU
TALK-- AND YOU
WILL **NOT!** I
AM **SORRY** TO
BE FORCED TO
KILL YOU...
AN INNOCENT
VICTIM!

THIS IS THE
WAY OF THE
WORLD!

THAT **LAUGH--!**
THE SAME AS
I HEARD
LAST NIGHT!

QUICKLY,
MY BROTHERS!
SEARCH THE
ROOM!

MMMPF



BUT BY WHAT?
BY WHOM?



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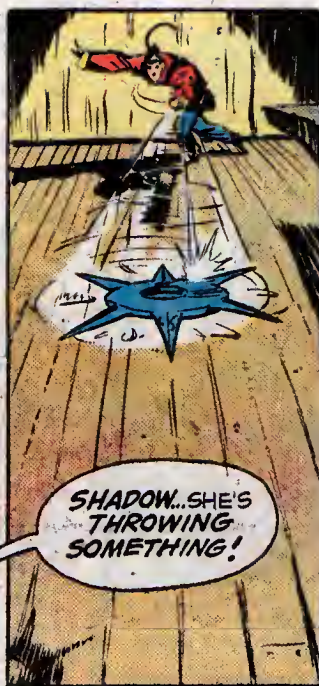


YOU CERTAINLY HAVE
THE KNACK FOR
ARRIVING IN THE
PROVERBIAL NICK OF
TIME, SHADOW!



YOU DIDN'T
REPORT AS I
DIRECTED!
AND YOU ARE A
LOYAL AGENT!
THEREFORE, YOU
HAD TO BE IN
DANGER!

AND YOU CAME
A-CHARGING! AT
LEAST I CAN'T
SAY YOU **NEGLECT**
ME--EXACTLY!

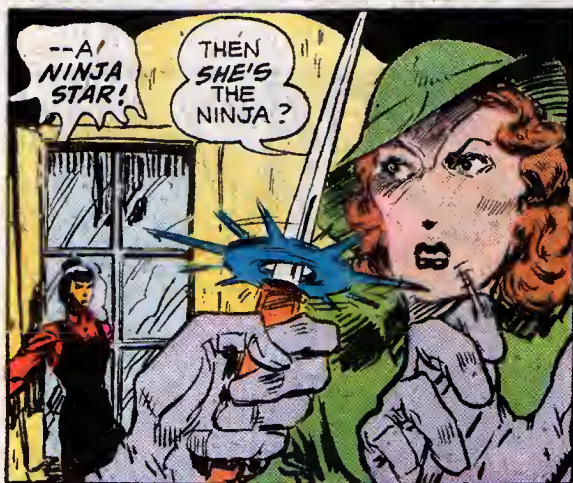


**SHADOW..SHE'S
THROWING
SOMETHING!**



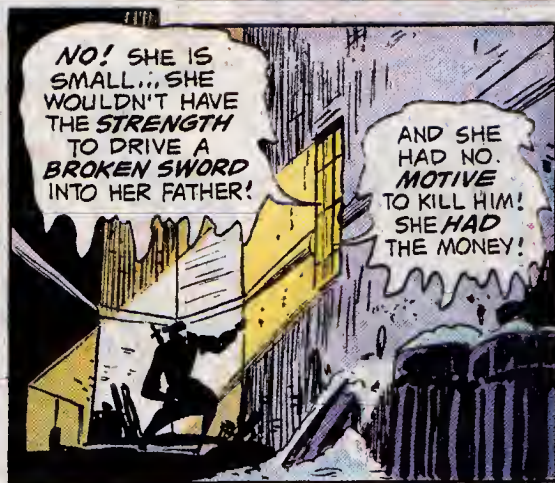
YES...AS SHE
THREW A
SIMILAR
OBJECT AT
PROUD--

CHING



--A
NINJA
STAR!

THEN
SHE'S
THE
NINJA?



**NO! SHE IS
SMALL...SHE
WOULDN'T HAVE
THE STRENGTH
TO DRIVE A
BROKEN SWORD
INTO HER FATHER!**

AND SHE
HAD NO
MOTIVE
TO KILL HIM!
SHE **HAD**
THE **MONEY!**



I HAD IT...
AND HE WANTED
IT--**ALL!** HE
WOULD NOT BE
CONTENT WITH A
SHARE, AS HE
AND MY FATHER
AGREED!

I SOUGHT TO
AVENGE
MY FATHER--



GHAH!

--AND TO
FINISH MY
FATHER'S WORK
OF FREEING
OUR PEOPLE...



SHE'S DEAD!
SOMEONE AT THE
WINDOW THREW
A...WHAT IS
IT, SHADOW?



A NINJA SPIKE,
MARGO! A DEVICE
WITH TWO USES!
IT CAN BE EMPLOYED
AS A WEAPON--



--OR A PAIR OF THESE CAN BE
USED FOR CLIMBING--LIKE
MOUNTAINEER'S PITONS!

THAT IS HOW THE NINJA ELUDED
ME ON THE ROOF...WHILE I WAS
BUSY EVADING THE POLICE, HE
WENT DOWN THE FAR WALL!



YOU SOUND AS
THOUGH YOU KNOW
HIS IDENTITY!

I DO, MARGO! I
GO TO DELIVER
HIS FILTHY LOOT
TO HIM--IN
PERSON!



I DO NOT
THINK HE
WILL BE
HAPPY
TO SEE
ME!

NOW, THE STORM RAGES LIKE A LIVING BEING...
CRYING, CRYING FOR VENGEANCE!



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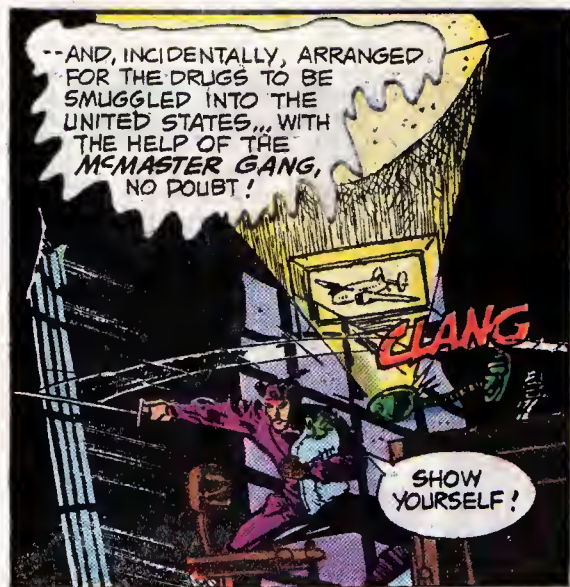
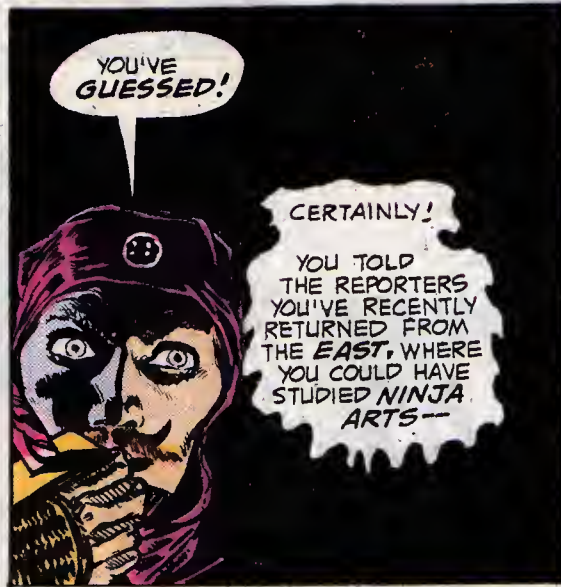
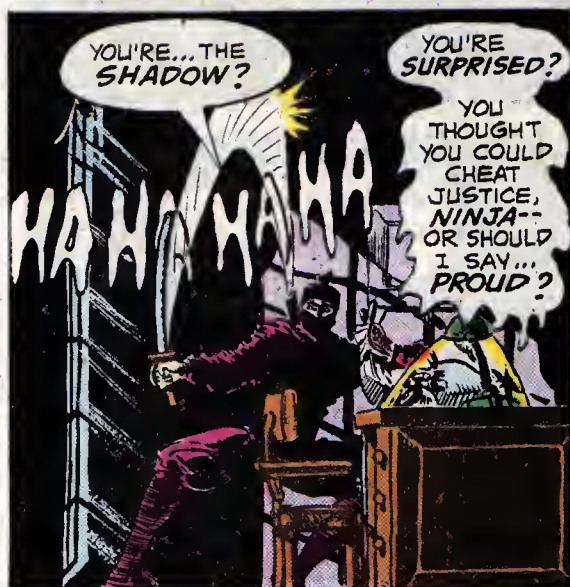
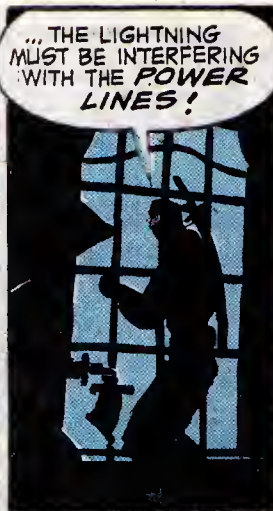
IN CASE SOME AMBASSADOR IS ONLY PLAYING DEAD!

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SHOW YOURSELF!

HERE, BY THE **WINDOW!** FACE ME... LIAR, **HYPOCRITE!** YOU'VE HIDDEN BEHIND THE MASK OF **LAW...** YOU PRETENDED YOU WISHED TO **SERVE..**

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Up front, we want to thank Greg T. Weed for a very nice review of *The Shadow* #3 in the January 10 issue of the *Oregon Daily Emerald*. You're our current favorite critic, Greg. Now, let us hie ourselves to the mail bag and, for openers, read a trio of short-and-sweet ones, all from laconic California...

Sirs:

The Shadow is a magnificent book.

Max G. Rodel, San Francisco, Calif.

Denny, Len and Mike,

In regard to *Shadow* #4, very nice. Veery nice.

David Trout, Van Nuys, Calif.

P.S. Keep 'em covers on the front.

We never really considered putting the covers on the inside. Dave mosabe.

Sirs:

Rumor has it that *The Shadow* will no longer be published. Say it isn't so.

Rico Sagliani, Hollywood, Calif.

It isn't so.

Dear Denny-O:

You are not helping my apathy any by laying out *The Shadow* every other month. And, just for the record, I wouldn't have it any other way. *Shadow* #4, with you and Len scripting your little hearts out, paid off as "Death Is Bliss" is a beautiful tribute to some of the old serials. The story reminded me tremendously of their old plot line formats.

You men seem to have defined the character perfectly. And even more so the mood. It is literally back in the days when both evil and *The Shadow* prospered.

Live long and prosper,

Steve Clement, Pawtucket, R.I.

Dear Mr. O'Neil:

I have just had the pleasure of reading your second and third issues of *The Shadow*. I have been raised on a rich diet of pulps and comics.

My father, G.T. Fleming Roberts, wrote *The Ghost* and created the last of the pulp magazine super detectives, *Captain Zero*.

Your magazine successfully recreates the mood of those old pulps and gives me sharp pangs of nostalgia.

You have my best wishes for the continued success of your magazines.

James T. Roberts, Nashville, Ind.

Dear Denny and Mike,

Reading a letter column is quite boring when everyone has only compliment after compliment to offer you. With this in mind, I decided to give myself the difficult task of coming up with a few criticisms (constructive, of course.)

Please don't cram the characters down our throats just for the sake of trying to put in as many

agents as possible. They should be secondary and do their work in the background.

I think that the stories have been a little crowded, too. Remember, the pulp editors had 80 text pages to work with but you've only got 20 comic pages. So why not experiment with continued stories?

Don't give *The Shadow* so much dialogue. In the pulps I have (sigh, only four), he doesn't talk that much. Utilize captions and when he does talk make his sentences short and to the point.

Please, no origin stories!

Why don't you tell your New York readers that they can hear *The Shadow's* radio adventures on WRVR FM?

Why not tell me if Bantam and/or Belmont still publishes the paperbacks Mr. Wawrzynski mentioned on issue #3's letters page?

Kevin Sexton, Babylon, N.Y.

*In the near future—as soon as we can wring loose an extra page—we hope to publish a list of all the stations broadcasting *The Shadow's* radio adventures. As for the paperbacks... they don't seem to be in print. I can only advise you to do as I do—haunt the second-hand shops.*

Dear Denny,

Just thought I'd write to tell you that *The Shadow's* fame is growing even more!

On the ABC Tuesday Night Movie, "A Summer Without Boys," a strange voice was heard, halfway through the film: "Who knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men? *The Shadow* knows! Ha Ha, Ha"—on and on. They really had an old *Shadow* radio show going.

Oh, yeah! I'm lucky enough to be working on a report for my sociology class on... *The Shadow*. It's gonna be fun.

Well, I just thought you'd like to know about another facet of *The Shadow's* comeback.

Good book, good luck.

Ken Meyer, Jr., Savannah, Ga.

Dear Denny, Len & Mike,

The fourth issue of *The Shadow* was as fantastic as the first three.

I would like to ask if you plan an origin issue (providing *The Shadow* doesn't object.) It would really help those who don't know much about *The Shadow*.

Jeff Wills, Kent, Ohio

*About an origin issue, I dunno... Most Shadow-philes seem to feel *The Shadow's* mystery is part of his excitement, and I guess we tend to agree. But no final decision has been made yet. A lot of letters could change our minds... Send them to:*

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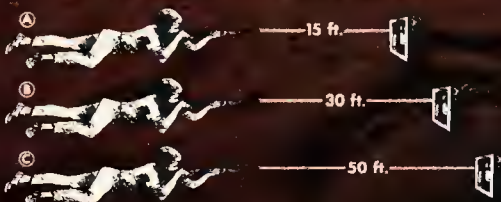
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